

species; and one clutch of six is now exhibited, together with an egg of *Tetraogallus caucasicus* from Kasbeck, in the Caucasus, from my own collection for comparison.

10. On an undescribed Species of Nuthatch and another Bird from KAREN-NEE. By Lieutenant R. WARDLAW RAMSAY, F.Z.S.

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(Plate LXIII.)

I have just received from Burmah a small collection of birds made in January last in the country traversed by the recent Karen-nee-boundary expedition. Of these, two species seem worthy of note, viz. :—

1. *OROCETES ERYTHROGASTER* (Vig.), ♂,

which must therefore be added to the catalogue of the avifauna of that country. On the label there is nothing recorded as to where or at what elevation the bird was shot.

2. *SITTA MAGNA*, n. sp. (Plate LXIII.)

General colour above dark bluish slate-colour; a black stripe, a quarter of an inch broad, on either side of the head, running from the base of the bill over the eye to the shoulder; the upper part of the head and neck between these stripes smoky grey.

Wings of much the same colour as the back. Primaries and secondaries dark brown more or less edged on the outer web with bluish slate. The second, third, and fourth primaries are slightly margined with whitish on the outer web, and, with the fifth and sixth, are white at the base. Under surface of wing greyish brown, jet-black under the shoulder.

Tail with two central tail-feathers concolorous with the back, remainder dark brown, almost black, outer pair broadly tipped with white on outer web, and margined with white on inner; next two broadly tipped with white on outer, and grey on inner web.

Under surface of body smoky grey, nearly white about throat and neck.

Lower tail-coverts, vent, and thighs brilliant chestnut, each feather of the former broadly tipped with white.

Dimensions of dry skin (male):—length 7·3 inches, wing 4·5, tail 2·7, bill from gape 1·3, bill at front 1·0, tarsus ·95.

This Nuthatch is remarkable for its great size as compared with other members of the genus.